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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

July 15, 1984

Western Reserve Historical Society

10825 East Blvd  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Attn: Reference Div.

Dear friends:

I am writing an article on the history of the 1814-1815 small change notes of the City of New York. In your numismatic collection I am sure you have a number of examples.

When you locate them would you be nice enough to make a photocopy of each of them - only the face will be necessary - please bill us for the cost.

If photocopies are not practical please send me the date and denomination of each piece and whether it is ink signed or whether the signature is printed.

I will be very grateful.

Many years ago I worked at the library for a day or so on other areas of the collection when Mr. Rosenthal was still alive. Mr. Leon Hindberrin who I believe works in numismatics and may be familiar with you is a good friend of mine. Your collection is superb as you know.

Sincerely

Eric P. Newman



Department of Records and Information Services  
MUNICIPAL REFERENCE AND RESEARCH CENTER  
31 Chambers Street  
New York, N.Y. 10007

ANNE M. GORDON, Director Tel.: 566-4285

July 11, 1985

Mr. Eric T. Newman  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

Enclosed please find photocopies of the material which you requested. The charge for this service is \$1.05 - 7 pages at 15¢ per page. Please send your check in this amount, made payable to the Municipal Reference and Research Center, DORIS.

Thank you for your enquiry.

Yours truly,

  
Anne M. Gordon  
Director, MRRC

enc.

Anne M. Gordon  
Municipal Reference and  
Research Center  
31 Chambers St.  
New York, NY 10007

July 14, 1985

Dear Ms. Gordon

Thank you for your very prompt cooperation in locating the Common Council action on the small change bills of New York City. As I told you I am writing an article on the subject. I enclose a check for your photocopy charges. I also enclose a photocopy of a sheet of the bills and a photocopy of individual ones.

There must be some additional material, the Aug 29, 1814 action authorized \$5000 and the Sept 12, 1814 raised that to \$25,000. There is no further additional authorization except to change new for worn out bills & in the Mar 10, 1817 minutes it stated that \$234,905 were issued and there were \$143,004.80 in circulation. There must be additional authorizations prior to May 30, 1816. Could they be located? They would be after Nov 14, 1814. — or did your city government find printing money was too much fun. On March 6, 1815 some<sup>one</sup> received \$3000 for exchanging bills and that wasn't bad income.

The issues I know are dated December 26, 1804 and July 5, 1815. There could be other dates of issue.

The forgeries I note on the photocopy are offprints from some New York History of the 19th century. The signature is printed and they are on the wrong paper. Is there a history you know of which illustrated these notes. It would be a history of New York City.

Anything further you can do for me would be ever so appreciated. Thank you again.  
Sincerely,  
Sonia truly,

708 533 3119

July 15, 1985

Christian Blom  
2504 N. Quantico St  
Arlington, VA 22207

Dear Chris:

I am researching facts for an article on the New York City small change notes of 1814 and 1815.

I would like to have photocopies of those in your collection. Would you be nice enough to send them.

There are, as you know, uniface thin paper reprints of some of these New York City notes. They are made perhaps from typeset illustrations of some book on the history of New York City. Do you know where these reprints came from. Perhaps I should not call them reprints and merely refer to them as copies set in type with printed signatures.

I look forward to hearing from you and will appreciate your cooperation on this matter.

Kindest regards:

Eric

P.S. I'll see you in Baltimore in August in any event. I will get my 50th anniversary medal as an A.N.A. member. Wow!

8/11/85 Called him to will  
send data from inventory. Pieces  
are in N.Y.C.

Anne M. Gordon  
Municipal Reference & Research Center  
31 Chambers St.  
New York, N.Y. 10007

7/20/85

Re. Small Change notes

Dear Ms. Gordon:

After thanking you and writing you my letter of July 14, 1985 I telephoned to tell you I had up some work on the above matter as I had some new data.

I enclose a list of what I have now and what photocopies are still needed. We cannot locate a \$25.00 authorization by index so far, but perhaps you can. The Almshouse was built with money "borrowed" from the redeemed or exchanged money fund and that was imaginative financing. I would like to have copies of all Almshouse action in the Common Council for 1818 thru 1819. One is on p. 568.

If you can send the additional photocopies I will be very helpful.

I still have not located the source of the reprints.  
Yours sincerely,



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MUNICIPAL REFERENCE AND RESEARCH CENTER  
31 Chambers Street  
New York, N.Y. 10007

ANNE M. GORDON, Director Tel.: 566-4285

July 25, 1985

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

While I was not able to find further references to the small change bills printed by New York City, I was able to find several references to the signers of the bills, Thomas Franklin and John Pintard. I am enclosing 7 pages of material for you -- the charge for this is \$2.45.

Thank you for your inquiry.

Sincerely,

  
Anne M. Gordon  
Director

AMG:lm  
Enclosures

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

July 29, 1985

Anne M Gordon  
Municipal Reference & Research Center  
31 Chambers St  
New York, N.Y. 10007.

Dear Ms Gordon:

Thank you for the new small change note material. A check is enclosed. I do need your further help because the N.Y. Public Library is missing its Analytical Index of the Minutes of the Common Council, City of N.Y.

Would you be nice enough to send photocopies of the index pages under which the following may be the category:

Bills  
Money  
Small Change  
Change Bills  
Money Bills  
Small Bills  
Paper Money  
Currency

Alms House  
(this was built using  
small change notes)

Pintard, John

I am truly appreciative.

Eric P. Newman



Department of Records and Information Services  
MUNICIPAL REFERENCE AND RESEARCH CENTER  
31 Chambers Street  
New York, N.Y. 10007

ANNE M. GORDON, Director Tel.: 566-4285

July 30, 1985

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

Enclosed please find photocopies of the material which you requested. The charge for this service is \$1.35 - 9 pages at 15¢ per page. Please send your check in this amount, made payable to the Municipal Reference and Research Center, DORIS.

Thank you for your enquiry.

Yours truly,

Anne M. Gordon  
Director, MRRC

enc.





Department of Records and Information Services  
MUNICIPAL REFERENCE AND RESEARCH CENTER  
31 Chambers Street  
New York, N.Y. 10007

ANNE M. GORDON, Director Tel.: 566-4285

August 1, 1985

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

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Thank you for your enquiry.

Yours truly,

Anne M. Gordon  
Director, MRRC

enc.

*There were no index listings for*

*Bills*

*Small Change*

*Change Bills*

*Small Bills*

*Currency*

*In my opinion, this is a pretty terrible index,  
full of errors + false leads.*

*A. Gordon*

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Aug 7, 1985

Anne Gordon, Director  
Municipal Reference and Research Center  
31 Chambers St  
New York N.Y. 10007

Your comment about the inadequacy of the index of the Minutes of the Corporation's Common Council is certainly true.

From what you sent us I now need the following pages

Vol. 1 pp. 526, 527, 528, 674 <sup>had it</sup> ✓  
Vol. 8 pp. 124, 132, 136, 249, 568, 588, 638, 650, 665, 690, 724 ✓  
Vol. 9 pp. 36, 84 ✓  
Vol. 11. pp. 475, 476 ✓

Also the index pages covering  
Treasury Notes ✓

This ought to fulfill everything which is indexed.

A check is enclosed covering the two past photocopy costs.

Thank you so much for your helpfulness.

Sincerely

Eric Newman

Still need

7: 249, 277, 279  
8: 111, 124, 132, 141, 158, 160, 173, 184, 206, 218  
9: 460, ~~461~~, ~~462~~, 184, 302, 447, ~~448~~, 505  
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11: 51, 59, 80, 474, 484  
12: 185, 186, 646, 651, 654  
13: 455, 475  
16: 202



Department of Records and Information Services  
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31 Chambers Street  
New York, N.Y. 10007

ANNE M. GORDON, Director Tel.: 566-4285

August 12, 1985

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

Enclosed please find photocopies of the material which you requested.  
The charge for this service is \$4.00 - 20 pages at 15¢ per page, plus \$1.00  
handling charge. Please send your check in this amount, made payable to the  
Municipal Reference and Research Center, DORIS.

Thank you for your inquiry.

Yours truly,

Anne M. Gordon  
Director

ENC.

CHRISTIAN BLOM  
2504 N. Quantico St.  
Arlington, VA 22207

August 14, 1985

ERIC P. NEWMAN  
6450 CECIL AVE  
ST LOUIS MO 63105

Dear Mr. Newman,

Below are listed the CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK notes I now have. Notes in parenthesis are notes I have seen but do not own. In addition, there is a 26 Dec. 1814 25¢ pictured in the NASCA auction of Jan. 1977, page 27 (The Guevrekian collection)

If you need xeroxes of these as well, let me know, and I will make some when I next go to New York.

I have a table at Baltimore, and will be glad to see you there.

*Christian Blom*

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK:

1790 1 Penny 2 Pence 3 Pence  
12 Sept 1814 (25¢)  
26 Dec. 1814 2¢ 4¢ 6¢ 9¢ 12½¢ (25¢) (75¢)  
3d. Jan 1816 (Imprint: J. M. 25 Van Dam St.) 25¢ 75¢  
3d July 1816 (Imprint: T. & W. Mercen, Print. 93 Co....) 50¢  
July 1, 1816 (Imprint: T. & J. Swords, New York) 12½¢  
1862 (25¢) (50¢)

# TEN

Municipal Reference + Research Center  
31 Chambers St.  
New York, NY. 10007

8/15/85

Enclosed find check for \$4<sup>00</sup> to cover 812/85 photocopies

Please send photocopies of the following from the  
minutes of the Corporation of the City of New York ranging  
from 1814 to 1824 more or less.

Vol 7 p. 249, 277, 279

Vol 8 p. 111, 587

Vol 10 p. 683

Vol 11 p. 51, 59, 80, 474, 484

Vol 12 p. 185, 186, 446, 651, 654

Vol 13 p. 455, 456, 475

Vol 16 p. 202

Thank you



Department of Records and Information Services  
MUNICIPAL REFERENCE AND RESEARCH CENTER  
31 Chambers Street  
New York, N.Y. 10007

ANNE M. GORDON, Director Tel.: 566-4285

August 20, 1985

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

The charge for photocopying the material regarding minutes of the Corporation of the City of New York is \$4.00. This would include 20 pages at 15¢ each page plus \$1.00 for handling.

Thank you for your interest.

Yours very truly,

Anne M. Gordon  
Director

AMG:lm  
Enc.

MEMO FROM  
JOSEPH R. LASSER

9/3/85

Dear Eric —

Here's the  
Rufus King letter

Joe Lasser

NEUBERGER & BERMAN

MEMBER NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

522 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y. 10036



London 20<sup>th</sup> 14. 1899.  
From  
Erasmus King Esq  
Midhurst 24<sup>th</sup> 1899

See also Rufus's Thurf

6 R. V. 1. 1. 1.

London Feb. 14. 1799

Dear Sir,

Having obtained information that a  
person was employed in printing a quantity of American  
Notes or Bills of Credit, I took immediate measures  
to have him and his work seized by the Police. It  
turns out to be a forgery of the small notes issued  
by Mr. Phania by order of the Corporation of  
New York Feb. 20. 1790 — The printer had worked  
off 20,000 Sheets, each Sheet containing 5 notes  
for threepence, and 2 for two pence; — the work  
was to have been delivered the evening of the day  
it was seized. — The printer says that he intended  
to disclose the business to me before the delivery, and  
as evidence of his honesty, points out the difference  
between the Letters in the words "two pence" on the  
back of the false Bill from those of the true,  
as well as some other variations. — We are now  
endeavouring to detect the Employer whose name  
and residence the printer says he does not know,  
Richard Marck Esq.

Yours

but whom he understood to be an American. — I have  
promised to release the Rinder (by the way I don't  
find that he could be punished) and to give him  
a few Guineas if he will effectually assist the  
Police Officers in discovering the Employer.

I wish that this new proof of the  
riddle as well as injustice of these small paper  
money Schemes may operate to discourage us  
from resorting to them. — The Corporation would  
have detected and refused to pay these counter-  
feits; but the Citizens, and that class of them  
the least able to bear the loss, would have  
been sufferers to the amount that should  
have been thrown into circulation.

With sincere respect & esteem.

I am, Dear Sir

Your most ob. Servt

P.S. Inclosed is a Specimen of  
the Counterfeits. *Reuben Kim's*

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

Dear Eric -

Here are the

Xeroxes of my

N.Y. City notes,

of the Best

Joe

Catalogue of Gov't Publications in the Research Libraries  
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A. Everett Peterson, Editor

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by David Maydole  
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M. B. Brown printing & binding Co 1930

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Resolved that \$5000 in notes  
not exceeding \$2 1/2 highest denom  
be issued and signed by  
persons authorized by Corp'n  
with payment pledged by the  
faith of the corp'n

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A memorial was read from  
Andrew Maserick "copper plate printer"  
to be employed in printing the money  
bills to be issued by the Corporation  
was read and referred (sic) to  
the Finance Committee

p. 104 Vol 8 12/12/1814 "an additional  
# of Corporation bills to further  
amount of \$50K - (POSTPONED)  
also ~~via~~ via a Power of Atty  
under Corporate seal  
John Pintard and Thomas  
Franklin are given authority  
to sign the money Bills

add<sup>tion</sup> and  
that 2  
add signers  
be employed



(2) of 2

p. 51 9/12/14

Denoms "25/100 & 50/100" + 20K  
beyond \$5K authorized

(3) of 5

11/14/14

p. 84 Cancell worn bills and issue new

12/26/14

pp. 112-113 another \$50K authorized  
and permission given to Pintard  
and Franklin to sign the new  
bills

4/3/15

p. 176 Pintard & Franklin to be paid  
\$3 for each 1200 signatures  
on bills and Wm McNeal \$3 for each  
1200 bills numbered

Ino Bloodgood DE Tyler and  
Wm McNeal to receive \$2 per  
day for cancelling bills

MEMO FROM  
JOSEPH R. LASSER

9/5/85

Dear Gene -

Here's my 75<sup>th</sup>.  
Note the endorsement.  
I have no explanation.

I've been stimulated  
to sort through some  
of my materials and I've  
found about 50 <sup>non-journalized</sup> ~~unpublished~~  
items that I've acquired. The  
only significant one is a

**NEUBERGER & BERMAN**

MEMBER NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

R. I. ~~1743/4~~ 1743/4 - and I now  
522 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N.Y. 10036 (over)

know I own 2 one  
penny Bank of No. Hm.  
notes "H" & "M"

— More later —

With the Best —

Que

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

~~NYC 1814  
Enclosed  
75¢  
counterfeit~~

9/14/85

Dear Eric —

I know the  
envelope is too  
large, but it  
was the only thing  
I could find in a  
hurry — All the Best  
Joe

JOSEPH R. LASSER

522 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10036

November 4, 1985

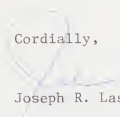
Mr. Eric P. Newman  
Numismatic Education Society  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Mo. 63105

Dear Eric:

You will undoubtedly recognize the enclosed as your "New York City Small Notes" article which I modified to make it a more "informal" speech for COAC.

I hope that the result meets with your approval.

Cordially,



Joseph R. Lasser

JRL/fv  
Attachment

CABLE ADDRESS  
"NUMISMA" NEW YORK



TELEPHONE  
(212) 234 - 3130

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY  
(FOUNDED 1858 • INCORPORATED 1865)  
BROADWAY AT 155<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
NEW YORK · N.Y. 10032

November 6, 1985

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
6305 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Eric,

Not sure when (or even where) you'll receive this, but the paper was excellent, well received. Joe Lasser did you proud. Thanks so much for taking the time to write it up, even when you could not be here to deliver it. I head to the U.K. again in two days, to give a couple of papers and hit a couple of collections over there. Back the end of this month, and I shall check in with you then. Meanwhile, thanks again, and all best.

Yours sincerely,

Richard G. Doty  
Curator of Modern Coins  
and Paper Money

RGD/aa



THE WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

10825 EAST BOULEVARD / CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106 / 216 / 721-5722

October 23, 1985

Eric P. Newman  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

This comes in answer to your letter of September 20th regarding the New York notes. I have checked the reverse of the third note and there is nothing on the back. However, it does appear that the actual note was mounted on another piece of paper on which there is some writing. It may be that the original paper was so fragile that someone pasted it to another sheet for support.

However, on the reverse of the note there is written in pencil the word "facsimile."

The remaining five notes are all printed on a cardboard-type stock, and not a rag paper that might be more common to the period.

Because there is nothing on the reverse of the note, I did not bother to make a copy of it.

Sincerely,

Kermit J. Pike  
Director  
History Library

KJP/pak

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

*6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105*

November 19, 1985

Mr. Kermit J. Pike  
The Western Reserve Historical Society  
10825 East Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Mr. Pike:

I returned from vacation and appreciate very much your letter of October 23, 1985, and prior data in connection with the 1814-16 New York City small change notes.

My paper on that subject was delivered to the American Numismatic Society conference and will be published early next year, along with other conference papers. I would send you a copy of the paper at this time, but it is in longhand and I believe I should wait until it is printed. It naturally includes an appreciation of your helpfulness. Thank you again for your cooperation.

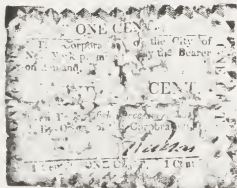
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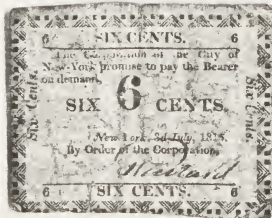
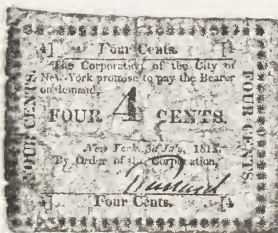
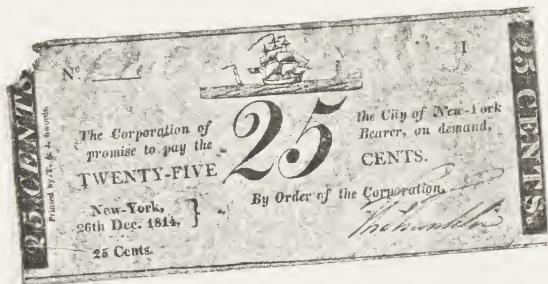
Eric P. Newman

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*Passer*



Facsimiles from 1863 Valentine's Manual

**NINE CENTS**

The Corporation of the City of New York promise to pay the Bearer on demand.

**NINE 9 CENTS**

New York 26th December, 1814.  
By Order of the Corporation,  
*Dubouché*

**SIX CENTS**

The Corporation of the City of New York promise to pay the Bearer on demand.

**SIX 6 CENTS**

New York 26th December, 1814.  
By Order of the Corporation,  
*Dubouché*


**FOUR CENTS**

The Corporation of the City of New York promise to pay the Bearer on demand.

**FOUR 4 CENTS**


New York 26th December, 1814.  
By Order of the Corporation,  
*Dubouché*

KEEP WITHIN




COMPASS.

MIND YOUR



BUSINESS.

MOBILIZE VIGET.



T & W. Mercein Print 93 Gold St.

**12 1/2 CENTS**

The Corporation of the City of New York promise to pay the Bearer on demand.

**Twelve 12 Cents**

New York 26th December, 1814.  
By Order of the Corporation,  
*Dubouché*

**12 1/2 CENTS**

**NEVER DESPAIR.**

**12 CENTS**



T & W. Mercein Print 93 Gold St.

**ONE CENT.**

The Corporation of the City of New York promise to pay the Bearer on demand.

**ONE 1 CENT.**

New York 26th December, 1814.  
By Order of the Corporation,  
*Dubouché*

**ONE CENT.**

Facsimiles from 1863 Valentine's Manual of the Council of New York

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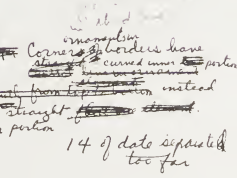


Lasser

Back of

6¢

July 3, 1815



12 1/2 CENTS

The Corporation of the City of  
New York promise to pay the Bearer  
on demand,

Twelve **12 1/2** Cents

New York 26th December, 1814.  
By Order of the Corporation.

*Richard*

12 1/2 CENTS

6¢

4¢

2¢

MIND YOUR



BUSINESS.

T. &amp; W. Mercein, Print. 93 Gold-St.

MOBILITATE VIGET.



T. &amp; W. Mercein, Print. 93 Gold-St.

NEVER DESPAIR.



Printed by T. &amp; W. Mercein, New York.

12½¢

NEVER DESPAIR.

12½ CENTS.



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T. &amp; W. Mercein, Print. 93 Gold-St.

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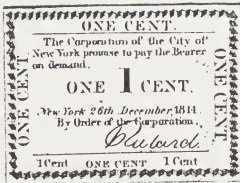
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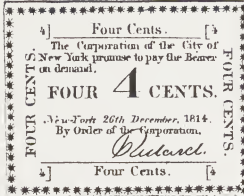
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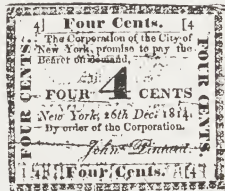


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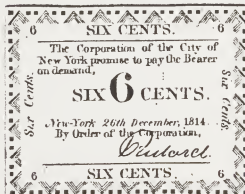
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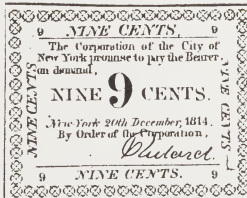
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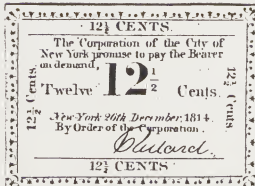
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of straight from top to bottom  
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corners of borders have  
curved inner portion  
inner portion



12/3/85

Dear Eric -

Your terribly embarrassed  
correspondent can't find the  
New York Notes of 1814-16, ~~that~~  
he owns, nor the reprint that  
he wished to send (1862-3). I'll  
be darned if I know where  
I put them ~~before~~ prior to taking  
a week's holiday in California  
over Thanksgiving - - so  
I'm sending your material  
back to you with xeroxes  
of the mystery Continental  
Congress note - - of course,  
I also can't find it nor the  
other pieces that I purchased  
in the Smythe sale. I know  
that they'll turn up in the  
future, but it certainly is  
aggravating to be absent minded

Yll the Best,

Joe



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December 19, 1985

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
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St. Louis, Missouri 63178

Dear Eric,

Many thanks for the timely submission of your revised COAC85 article. When I have the chance to go over it carefully I shall probably better understand your concern about the illustrations but at this juncture - yes on the reductions; on the 1:1 illustrations, do they have to be grouped all together? If I can place them in the text as they run, then there will be no problem in fitting them. I am not overly concerned with saving space, in fact I want the book to flesh out and for this reason am allowing rather extensive illustrations of bank notes by others.

Are you going to send the notes on to me for photography or will you be supplying me with the illustrations themselves? In any case, let me have the materials asap.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie E. Elam  
Director

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December 21, 1985

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
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Dear Eric,

I have now been over your COAC 1985 article which is the better for your revisions, particularly as to the more logical arrangement of the sub-topics.

As with the 1984 article, I have pulled the references from the text into endnotes except where such would interrupt the text flow. I do need a complete citation for the Common Council Minutes. Are you using a published volume? If not, I shall need the archive name and loci numbers. I plan to cite the Clinton quote as note 1 and add to this the complete recitation given by you as "official references." By the way, I need a separate cite to the last entry there, "See also Analytical Index." I also need a complete cite to Valentine (full name - is he the editor?, date, place of publ.).

On the illustrations, I see now that I am to use the two photocopies for the error sheet and Valentine's facsimile. Fortunately I have not spilled coffee on them. For the four bills, can we run one bill (two sides) per page, set vertically, with text around? I don't think it is essential that they all be viewed together.

I have appended the list of varieties to the article; do you want to make reference to it in the text, perhaps as an added sentence to the bottom of page 4A?

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
December 21, 1985  
Page 2

Finally, may we indeed put you on the program for COAC 1986? As you are probably aware, the response to the bust silver topic has been encouraging with nine slots on the program already filled. Please let us know if we can add you to the list and use your name in our forthcoming publicity for the conference.

Post-finally, please let me have the missing elements before you head south. Many thanks.

Sincerely yours,

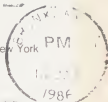


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Director

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Confederate States of America Currency  
The Montgomery Issues of 1861

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Dear Eric

Photos + text revisions  
arrived today - Many thanks

Len

1/15/86

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January 18, 1986

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
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Dear Eric,

Enclosed is proof for your COAC85 article. This is the only proof that you will receive so I would ask you to give it a careful reading. Corrections received here by February 4 will be included in the published work.

Many thanks for your cooperation in making this publication possible. It is another outstanding contribution to the COAC Proceedings series.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie A. Elam  
Director

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Enclosure

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

January 27, 1986

Mr. Leslie A. Elam  
American Numismatic Society  
Broadway at 156th Street  
New York, NY 10032

Dear Leslie:

The more I think about it, the more I feel that illustrations in the publication should be accompanied by the words "Reduced size", or similar words whenever an illustration is actually reduced in size.

I suggested this in our meeting, but the more I think about it the more honest and informatory I believe it is.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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April 5, 1986

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
Post Office Box 14020  
St. Louis, Missouri 63178

Dear Eric,

America's Currency, 1789-1866 is due here April 12, just five months after the conference itself. We can all be proud of the cooperation that enabled us to meet this schedule.

We shall be sending you your COAC registrant's copy of the book together with 50 offprints of your article in appreciation of your participation. May I ask you now to complete the two forms enclosed.

The first is an abstract for inclusion in the next issue of Numismatic Literature. You may wish to refer to the attached guide notes on the form of the abstract. I would really appreciate having the completed abstract by May 10 so we can meet the NL deadline.

America's Currency, 1789-1866 has been copyrighted as a whole in the name of the American Numismatic Society. For this reason I enclose an assignment form which I would ask you to complete and return for our files.

Again, many thanks for your cooperation in the success of COAC 1985 and this book. It is a handsome and valuable addition to the literature.

Sincerely yours,

  
Leslie A. Elam  
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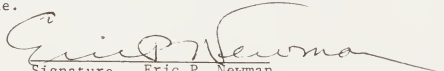


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NEWMAN, ERIC P. New York City Small Change Bills of 1814-1816.

America's Currency, 1789-1866. Coinage of the Americas Conference, Proceedings No. 2. (New York, The American Numismatic Society, 1986) pp. 95-113 illus. ISBN 0-89722-213-K

The economic problems in New York City caused by the War of 1812 resulted in the emission by the Corporation of the City of New York of small change paper money as a substitute for small coin. The printing of the issue, its authorization, signing, uses, redemption, misappropriation, unconstitutionality, frauds, errors and counterfeiting are described. Its relationship to other public and private issues is outlined. The money of account used in New York at the time of its issuance is shown to be determinative of its denominations. Its reprints made in 1863 are <sup>also</sup> explained.

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May 7, 1986

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
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Dear Eric,

After a short delay, I am pleased to enclose your registrants copy of the 1985 COAC Proceedings together with 50 offprints of your article. We returned the original shipment to have the covers reprinted.

Many thanks for sending along the copyright and abstract.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie A. Elam  
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May 17, 1986

Eric P. Newman  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thanks so much for the reprint of your article on the small change bills of New York City. I was interested to see the name John Pintard, who also possessed valuable library of Americana and in the early nineteenth century sponsored an ill-fated historical society in New York City.

Joseph Lasser stopped by the Society earlier this week to review our colonial and continental notes; although our collection is not outstanding I believe he did see a few items that made this trip worthwhile.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Kermit J. Pike  
Director of the Library

KJP/pak

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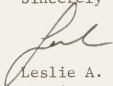
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Mr. Eric P. Newman  
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Dear Eric,

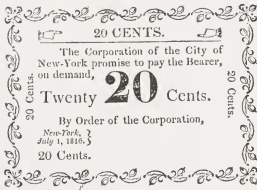
We are returning herewith the  
illustrations provided to us for  
publication in America's Currency,  
1789-1866.

Sincerely yours,



Leslie A. Elam  
Director

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20 CENTS.



The Corporation of the City of  
New-York promise to pay the Bearer,  
on demand,

20 Cents.

Twenty **20** Cents.

20 Cents.

By Order of the Corporation,

*New-York, }*  
*July 1, 1816. }*

20 Cents.

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Jane R. Pomeroy  
R.R. 1, Box 679  
Cornish, ME 04020

March 14, 1994

Dear Ms. Pomeroy:

I am glad to try to answer your March 6, 1994 letter as to New York City small change bills of 1814-16. Please send me a photocopy of the Barrett replicas and the text referring to them as that is the identical year the illustrations appeared in Valentine's Manual (p.170). They may be the same.

It is fascinating that you have Anderson's proof books available to you. It is entirely possible that he made cuts for scrip issued by banks, merchants, cities, individuals, etc. We have thousands of pieces of American paper money and some might have his work on them. If I only knew what to look for. Can I exclude all copper and steel engraved pieces as not his? Did he make large numerals or decorative denominational panel borders.

As to ownership of New York City small change notes I think we own the error sheet illustrated in my article. We have in our collection issued 1, 4, 6, 25 and 75 cent pieces and an unissued 20 cent note.

My friend Joseph R. Lasser, 605 Third Ave, New York City, NY 10158 has pieces in his collection and you should write him of your wish to mention them. Other numismatists have them but I do not know whom. There were a group auctioned about a year ago or so and I don't know who bought them.

It was a pleasure to talk to you and learn so much about the subject.

I am leaving for Costa Rica for a vacation and will do more when I return.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Eric P. Newman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Eric P. Newman

75 + 25

75 CENTS

State of N. York.

**The Jefferson County Bank**  
 promise to pay the Bearer, on demand, SEVENTY-FIVE  
 CENTS.

*Wood* Cash'r.

Adams, Jan 1, 1817.

75 + 75

**Farmers Bank**

Promise to Pay  
 Seventy-Five  
 on Demand.

**75**

the Bearer  
 CENTS,

A

Troy, August 12, 1815.

*H. Tubbs.* Cashier.

**SEVENTY-FIVE**

**Twelve ½ Cents**

On demand I promise  
 TWELVE AND A **12 1/2** to pay the Bearer  
 HALF CENTS.

in current bank bills, at the Office of Discount and Deposit  
 of the Manhattan Company.

Poughkeepsie, October 5, 1815.

*D. Coolidge*

12 1/2 CENTS

P. & S. Paid to: Puffer, Poughkeepsie.



Jane R. Pomeroy  
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Cornish, Maine 04020

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Mr. Eric P. Newman  
The Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63105

March 6, 1994

Dear Mr. Newman,

The American Numismatic Society gave me your address and sent me a photocopy of your very informative 1985 article, "New York City Small Change Bills of 1814-1816." I had written the Society asking for information on these small change bills, which they tell me they were unable to find among their collections, thus suggesting I write you.

I have been doing work on the American wood engraver Alexander Anderson (1775-1870), the first wood engraver in this country and the premier practitioner of the art from 1800 until about 1840. I had come on replicas of these bills in Walter Barrett, The Old Merchants of New York City (New York, 1863) and was curious to know whether they still existed and their location. As Anderson signed little of his work, engravings can be attributed to him by matching images to those in his proof books in the New York Public Library. I have microfilms of the proofbooks, and can therefore credit him with engravings that lack signatures. You might be interested to know that all the small cuts on these bills, i.e., for 25, 4, 6, 9, 12-1/2, and 75 cents are by Anderson.

Could you tell me where the bills are now located? I am preparing a bibliography of Anderson's engravings, in what publication they appeared, and would like to be able to cite a location for the small change bills.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely yours,

*Jane R. Pomeroy*

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Mr. Eric P. Newman  
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March 20, 1994

Dear Mr. Newman,

Thank you very much for your call the other night and for your letter. Enclosed are the photocopies from the Barrett book, Walter Barrett being the pseudonym of Joseph Scoville. The images are very close copies of wood engravings by Anderson; he was said by both of his biographers to have engraved cuts for the bills issued in the War of 1812 and it was this that alerted me to the replicas in Barrett's book. Barret mentions on p. 231 that they are "facsimiles."

Yes, it is possible that Anderson made cuts for scrip issued by banks, merchants, etc., and there are several instances in the proof books where there are cuts that would appear to be made for that purpose. Yes, I have found that he did make some decorative denominational panel borders (as found in the proof books), but only a very few. The very large numerals might be his or might be wood engravings, but I can't be sure. Certainly he did not engrave the little decorative type borders that surround the small change bills you pictured in your article -- they are type foundry borders, made up of metal pieces placed side by side.

You enclosed with your letter photocopies of three bills. I have enclosed a photocopy of yours and put some notes beside the images.

I will write Joseph Lasser, thank you for giving me his name. And thank you for the help you have given me. I'm sorry if I sounded a bit hazy on the telephone -- we go to bed very early indeed and wake up early so I may have been less than precise! I hope you had an excellent vacation in Puerto Rico, a good place to go at this time of year when we're all waiting for spring.

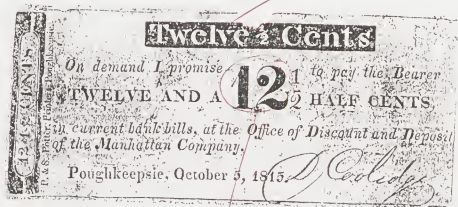
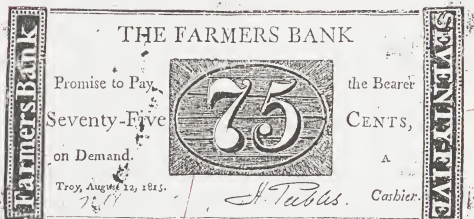
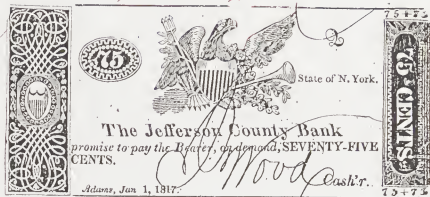
Sincerely,

*Jane Pomeroy*

Jane Pomeroy

*I forgot to mention that Anderson (as far as I know) didn't engrave any copper or steel engravings for notes*

Items marked  
 Thus, ✓ are  
 almost certainly  
 wood engravings,  
 or perhaps engravings  
 made on type metal  
 and mounted on wood  
 to be the same  
 height as type  
 they act the  
 same as wood  
 engravings but  
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 is metal, not  
 wood



Are these woodcuts? These are examples  
 of New York issues of the same series as  
 the N.Y.C. small change notes.

? possibly a wood engraving

Oechsner

